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The Cancer Information Service of the Rocky Mountain Region is a program of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) serving the states of Arizona, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming in cooperation with Penrose-St. Francis Health Services.

#### Selected NCI Press Releases / NewsCenter Items

Available at http://www.cancer.gov/newscenter/.

- Personalized Treatment Trial for Breast Cancer Launched (5/23/06)
- · Researchers Find that Tumor Stem Cells are Good Models for Brain Tumor Research (5/15/2006)
- NCI Releases Report on Cancer Incidence in Middle East (4/27/06)
- Estimating Breast Cancer Risk: Questions and Answers (4/19/06)

#### **New NCI Publication of Interest**

Available for order using the NCI Publications Service, https://cissecure.nci.nih.gov/ncipubs:

· Using What Works: Adapting Evidence-Based Programs to Fit Your Needs (CD)

#### **NCI Fact Sheet Collection**

New, revised and reviewed titles. Available at http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/factsheet/.

- · Biological Therapies for Cancer: Questions and Answers (FS 7.2, 4/12/06)
- Cancer Research Funding (FS 1.1, 5/19/06)
- Hospice (FS 8.6, 4/18/06)
- Menopausal Hormone Use and Cancer: Questions and Answers (FS 3.76, 5/4/06)
- The National Cancer Institute Cancer Centers Program (FS 1.2, 4/19/06)
- The National Cancer Institute's Cancer Information Service: Questions and Answers (FS 2.5, 5/11/06)
- · National Organizations That Offer Services to People With Cancer and Their Families (FS 8.1, 4/27/06)
- Oral Contraceptives and Cancer Risk: Questions and Answers (FS 3.13, 5/4/06)
- Programa de Centros Oncológicos del Instituto Nacional del Cáncer (FS 1.2s, 4/24/06)

#### Ask the CIS Column

Short, easy-to-read columns based on the latest cancer information from NCI, in question-and-answer format for newsletters and other publications. Please contact your Partnership Program Coordinator to access full columns. (Contact information is on page 3.) This month's column topics include follow-up after cancer treatment, healthy eating, and quitting smoking tips.

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#### Other NCI publications

NCI recently released its Annual Report for 2004, The Nation's Progress in Cancer Research, available online at http://www.cancer.gov/nci-annual-report.pdf. The report highlights some of the successes that have accelerated progress toward eliminating the suffering and death due to cancer. There is also a section entitled "Overcoming Cancer Health Disparities."

The document NCI-Supported Clinical Trials: Facts and Figures has recently been updated. See http://www.cancer.gov/clinicaltrials/facts-and-figures.

#### Other Items of Interest

- · Study Finds No Clinically Significant Difference in Effectiveness of Drugs for Managing Anemia in Patients Undergoing Cancer Treatment (5/23/06) http://www.ahrq.gov/news/press/pr2006/epopr.htm
- New Research Shows Vaccine May Offer Promising Treatment for Nicotine Addiction (5/19/06) http://www.nih.gov/news/pr/may2006/nida-19.pdf
- NIH State-of-the-Science Panel Urges More Informed Approach to Multivitamin/Mineral Use for Chronic Disease Prevention (5/17/06) http://www.nih.gov/news/pr/may2006/od-17.htm
- FDA Approves Novel Medication for Smoking Cessation (5/12/06)

http://www.fda.gov/bbs/topics/NEWS/2006/NEW013 70.html

- FDA Statement on European Aspartame Study
  - http://www.fda.gov/bbs/topics/NEWS/2006/NEW013 69.html
- NIH Launches Clinical Studies Nationwide to Investigate Rare Diseases (5/5/06) http://www.nih.gov/news/pr/may2006/ncrr-05.htm
- **Economic Benefit Of NINDS-Supported Clinical** Trials Estimated At More Than \$15 Billion Over Ten

Years (4/20/06) http://www.nih.gov/news/pr/apr2006/ninds-20.htm

#### Online Service - LiveHelp

Confidential, online text chat with a National Cancer Institute Information Specialist. Available Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m. - 11 p.m. EST. For cancer information and to order NCI

publications call 1-800-4-CANCER

(1-800-422-6237) or visit http://www.cancer.gov

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#### **National Health Observances**

The National Health Observances calendar comes from the National Health Information Center Web site: <a href="http://www.healthfinder.gov/library/nho/nho.asp?year=2006">http://www.healthfinder.gov/library/nho/nho.asp?year=2006</a>

#### June observances:

- National Cancer Survivors Day (June 4)
- National HIV Testing Day (June 27)
- National Men's Health Week (June 12-18)
- Sun Safety Week (June 4-10)

#### Looking ahead to July observances:

· No observances for July

#### **National Events of Interest**

National Institutes of Health State-of-the-Science Conference on Tobacco Use: Prevention, Cessation, and Control

Sponsor: NIH

**Dates:** June 12-14, 2006

Location: Natcher Conference Center, NIH Campus,

Bethesda, MD

Registration: Free. Deadline to register is June 9, 2006.

Online registration available at

http://www.meetinglink.org/OMAR/tobacco/registration.htm. CME credits are available. For complete information about the conference, including background and the agenda, see http://consensus.nih.gov/2006/2006TobaccoSOS029html.htm.

Summary: At the conference, invited experts will present information on effective smoking prevention and control strategies and interventions; a systematic literature review prepared under contract with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) will be summarized. Conference attendees will have ample time to ask questions and provide statements during open discussion periods. After weighing the scientific evidence, an unbiased, independent panel will prepare and present a State-of-the-Science statement addressing the key conference questions. This conference is intended for researchers interested in tobacco prevention, cessation, and control: health care professionals: health care system professionals; health policy experts; public health practitioners: and interested members of the public. Note: If you cannot attend, you can sign up at the above address to have the outcome paper e-mailed to you.

4th Annual Cancer Survivorship Series: Living With, Through & Beyond Cancer-Telephone Education Workshops

**Sponsors:** CancerCare; National Cancer Institute: Office of Cancer Survivorship, Office of Education and Special Initiatives and Cancer Information Service; Lance Armstrong Foundation; Intercultural Cancer Council; Living Beyond Breast Cancer; National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship

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#### Dates/Times:

 Tuesday, June 20, 2006; 1:30 – 2:30 PM ET "Managing Your Costs of Recovery"

**Registration and Contact:** These telephone workshops are free (no phone charges apply). However, preregistration is required, at least one week in advance. To register, go to the CancerCare Web site at <a href="http://www.cancercare.org/TEW">http://www.cancercare.org/TEW</a>.

**Summary:** This series offers cancer survivors, their families, friends and healthcare professionals practical information to help them cope with concerns and issues that arise after treatment ends. This program is made possible by educational grants from the National Cancer Institute and the Lance Armstrong Foundation.

• 9th Annual Mission Conference of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation: Many Faces, One Voice

**Sponsor:** The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation

Dates: June 11-13, 2006

Location: Marriott Crystal Gateway Hotel, Washington,

DC metro area

**Registration and Contact:** Free. For details, including a link to the full brochure and agenda, or to register, see <a href="http://www.komen.org/missionconference">http://www.komen.org/missionconference</a>, or e-mail education@komen.org, or call 1-866-566-3648.

**Summary:** The conference will feature the breast cancer research, education, screening and treatment projects funded by the Komen Foundation, focusing on the scientific and social strides being made in the fight against breast cancer. At the end of this conference, attendees should be able to identify ways to broaden the reach of breast cancer science and programs by addressing all groups in local and global communities and their breast health needs across the life span.

 National Cancer Institute Director's Consumer Liaison Group Summit: Listening and Learning Together-Building a Bridge of Trust

Sponsor: NCI Office of Liaison Activities

Dates: June 19-20, 2006

Location: Natcher Conference Center, NIH Campus,

Bethesda, MD

**Registration:** Free. Online registration available at <a href="http://www.palladianpartners.com/ncisummit2006">http://www.palladianpartners.com/ncisummit2006</a>. A limited number of scholarships are available.

**Summary:** The purpose of the Summit is to assemble members of cancer advocacy organizations, including those who serve the medically underserved, to develop mechanisms for two-way communication and collaboration, form alliances and identify/highlight replicable best practices.

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#### National Events of Interest (continued)

 2006 UICC World Cancer Congress (WCC), 13th World Conference on Tobacco OR Health (WCTOH), and the CDC Partners Summit

**Sponsors:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the International Union Against Cancer Conference (UICC)

#### Dates:

UICC 2006 World Cancer Congress: July 8-12, 2006 13th World Conference on Tobacco OR Health (WCTOH): July 12-15, 2006

Location: Convention Center, Washington, DC

**Registration:** Registration deadline is June 15, or on-site at the event. For full details and to register, go to <a href="http://www.2006conferences.org/c-registration.php">http://www.2006conferences.org/c-registration.php</a>.

Audience: CDC cordially invites its domestic cancer prevention and control grantees and partners to attend both the UICC World Cancer Congress and the Cancer Partners Summit from July 8-13. Registration for the CDC Summit is included in the UICC World Cancer Congress registration fee, allowing participants to take full advantage of the information and opportunities offered by both events.

**Summary:** Preliminary programs for both parts of the meeting are posted online. See <a href="http://www.2006conferences.org/summit.php">http://www.2006conferences.org/summit.php</a>.

 40th Annual American Association for Cancer Education (AACE) Meeting: Innovative Interventions and Methods in Cancer Education

**Sponsors:** American Association for Cancer Education, University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine

Dates: October 12-14, 2006

**Location:** Catamaran Resort Hotel on Mission Bay, San

Diego, CA

Registration and Contact: Different fees for members, non-members and students. Register by Sept. 12, 2006 for early bird rates at conference and hotel. Complete details about the conference and online registration available at <a href="http://aace.cpsonline.info/">http://aace.cpsonline.info/</a>. Additional contacts can be made via e-mail at <a href="mailto:ocme@ucsd.edu">ocme@ucsd.edu</a> or phone at 858-534-3940. (listing continues at top of next column)

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**Summary:** Cancer education plays a key role in the dissemination and implementation of cancer prevention, treatment and palliation. Topics on the agenda of the conference include cancer prevention, treatment, supportive cancer care, palliative cancer care, cancer research, sources of support for education and research, and the design, development, implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of cancer education programs.

Save the Date: 16th Annual Cancer Patient Education Network Meeting—Gateway To The Future: Expanding Patient Education

**Sponsors:** Cancer Patient Education Network (CPEN), Siteman Cancer Center, Barnes Jewish Hospital and

Washington University

**Dates:** October 25-28, 2006 **Location:** St. Louis, MO

Web site: <a href="http://www.cancerpatienteducation.org/">http://www.cancerpatienteducation.org/</a>

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**Sponsor:** The Lance Armstrong Foundation (LAF)

Dates: October 27-29, 2006

Location: Austin, TX

Registration: Through an application process, the LAF will identify approximately 1,000 current and potential leaders who are willing to champion the cancer cause in their local communities. Summit participants are responsible for a \$115 conference fee; some financial assistance may be available. Anyone who has been affected by cancer and is interested in participating in the LIVESTRONG Summit may apply at www.livestrong.org/summit.

**Summary:** The LAF's inaugural LIVE**STRONG** Summit is a three-day event to organize, inspire and direct the efforts of cancer survivors from across the country to change the face of cancer survivorship. The LIVE**STRONG** Summit is a call to action to develop goals and action plans to raise awareness and effect change around the needs of cancer survivors. After the LIVE**STRONG** Summit, participants will apply the action plans in their own communities and nationwide.

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#### National Funding Opportunities – New listings



CVS/pharmacy Community Grants Program

Key Date: Deadline: October 31, 2006

**Summary:** CVS/pharmacy supports communities it serves by providing non-profit organizations the opportunity to apply for a CVS/pharmacy Community Grant if the project falls within its funding guidelines. CVS/pharmacy is currently accepting proposals for healthcare services for uninsured people. All CVS/pharmacy grant applications must be submitted online between January and October of each calendar year. For complete program guidelines and to determine whether your program is eligible, visit <a href="http://www.cvs.com/corplnfo/community/community/grants.html">http://www.cvs.com/corplnfo/community/community/grants.html</a>.

## Funding Opportunity Number: CDC-PA-05031-A2 – Public Health Conference Support Program Key Dates:

Letter of Intent (LOI) Deadline: Cycle A, November 9, 2006; Cycle B, February 2, 2007

Application Deadline: Cycle A, December 11, 2006; Cycle B, March 5, 2007

Expiration Date: LOI and application deadline dates for cycles in 2008 and 2009 will be available through

http://www.Grants.gov each year.

**Summary:** The purpose of conference support funding is to provide partial support for specific non-Federal conferences in the areas of health promotion and disease prevention information and education programs, and applied research. For details, visit <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/05031-A2.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/05031-A2.htm</a>.

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-06-247 – Community Participation in Research (R21)
Release Date: March 17, 2006
Letters of Intent Receipt Date: April 17, 2007
Application Submission Date: May 17, 2007
Peer Review Date(s): October-November 2007
Council Review Date(s): January-February 2008
Earliest Anticipated Start Date: April 2008

Expiration Date: May 18, 2007

**Summary:** The ultimate goal of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to support research on health promotion, disease prevention, and health disparities that is jointly conducted by communities and researchers. For details, visit <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-247.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-247.html</a>.

## Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Fresh Ideas – Community-based Approaches to Improve Care for Vulnerable Populations

Key Dates: Proposals accepted on a rolling basis

**Summary:** The Vulnerable Populations Portfolio of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) is seeking new community-based approaches to health and health care problems that intersect with social factors. RWJF is interested in projects that serve hard-to-reach individuals and families, especially new immigrants and refugees, frail older adults and at-risk adolescents. Grants up to \$300,000 for up to three years in duration are currently available. For details, visit <a href="http://www.rwjf.org/applications/program/cfp.jsp?ID=19480">http://www.rwjf.org/applications/program/cfp.jsp?ID=19480</a>.

#### **Previously listed funding opportunities**

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-04-116 – Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy (R01)

Application Receipt Date(s): for 2006, October 16

For details, visit <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-04-116.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-04-116.html</a>.

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-04-153 – Health Disparities Among Minority and Underserved Women

Application Receipt Date(s): for 2006, October 1; until 2007

For details, visit <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-153.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-153.html</a>.

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-05-065 - Cancer Education (R25E) Grants Program

Application Receipt Date(s): for 2006, October 1; until 2008

For details, visit <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-05-065.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-05-065.html</a>.

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-05-123 - Small Grant Program for Conference Support

Application Receipt Date(s): for 2006, June 20, August 20, October 20, December 20; until 2008

For details, visit http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-05-123.html.

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-06-039 - Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health

Application Receipt Date(s): for 2006, September 22; until 2009

For details, visit <a href="http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-039.html">http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-039.html</a>.

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PA-06-041 - NIH Support for Conferences and Scientific Meetings (R13/U13)

Application Receipt Date(s): for 2006, August 15, December 15; until 2008 For details, visit <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-041.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-041.html</a>.

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-06-132 – Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy (R03)

Letter of Intent Receipt Date: September 13, 2006

For details, visit <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-132.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-132.html</a>.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Local Initiative Funding Partners Program 2007 – Supporting Innovation in Health and Health Care

Deadline for Receipt of Stage I Brief Proposals: July 6, 2006

For details, visit <a href="http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19279">http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19279</a>.